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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiners phone call of 8-16-2005 to Applicant's attorney Joseph R. Milner, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims have been made as a result of the Examiner's suggestions that should result in allowance. The listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract have been made as a result of the Examiner's requirement that the abstract be shortened to less than 150 words, which should result in allowance. The Amendments to the Abstract begins on page 11 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.

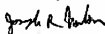
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